## IN THE CLAIMS

The following reflect the state of the allowed claims per Applicant's previous response under 37 U.S.C. \$1.116, dated October 10, 2007. No changes have been made.

Claims 1-36 were previously cancelled.

37. (Previously Presented) A method for creating a dynamic folder hierarchy, the method comprising:

creating a design-time folder group definition specifying an organization of a hierarchy of design-time folder groups with each design-time folder group consisting of a plurality of design-time folders arranged in parent/child relationships, said definition including a set of variable binding expressions for associating a plurality of documents with a plurality of dynamic folders:

generating a query with predicates from said set of variable binding expressions;

searching a collection of documents to identify documents which match said query, each of said documents in said collection of documents containing self-describing data;

dynamically creating a hierarchy of dynamic folders including child dynamic folders within said hierarchy of design-time folder groups by using a combination of said design-time folder groups definition and said identified documents; and

associating each of said identified documents with at least one dynamic folder in said hierarchy of dynamic folders.

- 38. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, wherein said document containing self-describing data comprises any one of an XML document, an object graph, or metadata.
- 39. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising generating additional dynamic folder hierarchies, each of which associates a collection of documents wherein overlapping occurs between said dynamic folder hierarchies.

- 40. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, wherein said self-describing data format comprises descriptive data used to dynamically organize documents within said dynamic folder hierarchy.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising retrieving a set of documents matching a user defined query wherein said retrieval follows a conventional foldering path.
- 42. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising a user retrieving at least one document from said hierarchy of dynamic folders by executing a query which intersects a predicate of one dynamic folder and at least one predicate of a parent folder of said one dynamic folder.
- 43. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising a user navigating along additional paths in said hierarchy of dynamic folders and combining navigation results using set operations.
- 44. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising incorporating external parameter bindings into said design-time folder group definitions.
- 45. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising creating materialized query tables to pre-compute search results for dynamic folders that are frequently accessed by a user.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 37, further comprising automatically identifying which dynamic folders contain a particular document based on semantics of an object.

Claims 47-62 are cancelled.